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JANUARY 10, 1871.

The Eighth Annual Session of the Grand Lodge of Vermont convened on Tuesday, January 10, 1871, at 10 o'clock A.M., at the Lodge Room of St. Albans Lodge, No. 32.

Lodge opened in due form.

The following officers were present:

HON. GEO. W. GRANDEY, G. W. C. T.

C. C. SARGENT, G. W. C.

LUCY J. BRADSHAW, G. W. V. T.

REV. H. P. CUSHING, G. W. S. & G. W. T.

MARY E. STURTEVANT, G. W. D. M.

ELLA B. CUSHING, G. W. A. S.

J. W. CARPENTER, G. W. O. G.

The G. W. C. T. made the following *pro tem* appointments:

Rev. O. Gregg of Pawlet, G. W. Chaplain; R. O. Sturtevant of Swanton, G. W. Marshal; Mrs. H. C. Johnson of Vergennes, G. W. I. G.

The G. W. C. T. announced the following Committee on Credentials:

Bros. W. W. Atwater of Fairhaven, O. S. Morris of Tunbridge, W. H. Solomon of Pownal, F. J. Dalton of St. Johnsbury, L. W. Brigham of Rutland.

The Committee on Credentials submitted their report, showing that the following named persons were entitled to seats, as delegates in the Grand Lodge:

NO.	NAMES.	PLACE.	DELEGATES.
1	Rescue.....	Tunbridge.....	Rev. O. S. Morris, Mrs. O. S. Morris, J. L. Hall.
2	Mt. Norris.....	Lowell.....	Will L. Kinsley, Ellen L. Kinsley.
3	Lafayette.....	Marshfield.....	Rev. James Spinney.
9	Frontier.....	Newport Center..	Harmon Butler.
10	Lampson.....	New Haven Mills..	S. F. Thompson.
11	Central.....	Irasburgh.....	C. A. Jackman, F. W. Edmunds.
12	N. Bennington....	N. Bennington....	C. D. Phillips, C. G. Lincoln, Frances Banney.
13	Lincoln.....	Winooski Falls..	R. S. Jones, G. W. Duncan.
14	Pliny White.....	Weybridge.....	B. N. Whitman, Mrs. L. C. Drake.
16	Loyal.....	Middletown.....	C. W. McClure, Rev. N. M. Learned.
17	Harmony.....	St. Johnsbury....	F. J. Dalton, Sister M. Flint.
18	Aqua.....	Westfield.....	D. E. Wright, Mrs. A. M. Wright.
19	Isle La Motte.....	Isle La Motte....	H. C. Fisk, B. F. Pike.
20	Champlain.....	Burlington.....	W. H. Root, H. H. Davis, W. H. S. Whitcomb, H. R. Wing, A. G. Watson.
21	Crystal Fount.....	Brownington....	A. O. Joslyn, Mrs. M. A. Hall, Mrs. M. L. Twilight.
23	Cabot.....	Cabot.....	M. S. Haines.
25	Rising Star.....	Glover.....	Horace Randall.
26	Waterman.....	Georgia.....	O. S. Basford, J. M. Ballard.
27	North Star.....	North Troy.....	J. C. Davison, Rev. D. Cornell.
29	Golden Barge.....	Barton Landing..	O. H. Austin, G. E. Churchill.
30	Lamolle.....	Johnson.....	C. E. Rivers, O. C. Barnes, S. G. Waters, Sister Parmelee.
31	Laplotte.....	Hinesburgh.....	C. E. Fletcher, C. A. Higby.
32	St. Albans.....	St. Albans.....	R. C. Benton, W. H. H. McAllister, E. P. Brainerd, Mrs. E. Graves.
33	W. Pawlet.....	W. Pawlet.....	C. H. Nelson, A. Whedon, D. Beecher.
35	Otter Creek.....	Vergennes.....	A. Ross, D. G. Meigs.
36	Pownal.....	North Pownal....	B. N. Boster, T. E. Brownell.
37	Lone Star.....	Bethel.....	S. M. Earls.
38	Ferrisburgh.....	Ferrisburgh.....	W. B. Field, John Q. F. Adams.
39	Eureka.....	Corinth.....	G. M. Dearborn, Robert Orr.
40	Alycove.....	East Fairfield....	L. Newton, E. Bartram.
41	Social.....	Springfield.....	H. S. Gallup, G. W. Foggett.
42	Valley.....	South Troy.....	C. H. Benton, D. H. Buck.
44	Richmond.....	Richmond.....	J. G. Bostwick, Salmon Green.
45	Pearl.....	Cambridge.....	Edwin Wheelock, S. L. Johnson.
46	Lamolle Central..	Hydepark.....	Miss Ella Merriam, Lucius Dutton.
48	Waterville.....	Waterville.....	Luke Potter, H. L. Beard.
50	Lucid Lake.....	North Hero.....	J. M. Tatro, J. McBride, Abbie M. Russell.
52	Crystal Spring....	Colchester.....	Rev. J. Chase, Ira Robinson.
54	Washington.....	Montpelier.....	Rev. J. K. Wright, N. W. Gilbert.
55	Union.....	East Barnard....	J. Ellis.
56	South Shaftsbury..	South Shaftsbury..	J. C. Stickles, C. Bates.
57	Reform.....	Ludlow.....	J. W. Warner, N. M. Pierce.
59	Good Samaritan....	Milton Falls....	H. O. Clark.
63	Echo.....	East Charleston..	J. C. Campbell, E. Allyn.
64	Blazing Star.....	West Derby.....	L. C. Hayes.
67	Asbury.....	Pownal Center..	H. E. Mason, Rev. E. P. Braman.
68	Cushing.....	Danby.....	A. W. Eastman, A. S. Baker, E. A. Smith ⁴
69	Diamond.....	Westford.....	H. B. Sterns.
73	Bomoseen.....	Hydenville.....	L. S. Clark.
74	Crystal Gem.....	Brandon.....	N. S. Capen, Mrs. N. S. Capen.
75	Beacon Light.....	Fairfax.....	H. W. Davison, J. S. Howard.
76	Clyde.....	Derby Center....	A. J. Albee, J. Bates, 2d, Hugh Elder.
77	Mystic.....	Pownal.....	Wm. H. Solomon.
78	Rutland.....	Rutland.....	E. G. Mason, Put Newton, Sister E. S. Pattee.
79	Cascadnac.....	Gaysville.....	Rev. Q. H. Shinn, Phebe M. Smith.
80	Plainfield.....	Plainfield.....	A. J. Hollister, Mrs. A. J. Hollister.
81	Richford.....	Richford.....	L. B. Parker, Jr., G. W. Bloomfield, J. B. Bowditch.
83	Waverley.....	Wilmington.....	O. E. Butterfield.
84	Shady Hill.....	North Hydepark..	H. J. Clark.
85	Verdmont.....	West Topsham....	Dr. O. L. Watson.
87	Bennington.....	Bennington.....	Dwight Riddle, G. A. Wood, G. A. Watlies, E. D. Bennett.
88	Quechee Valley....	Sherburne.....	G. R. Taylor.
89	Crescent.....	Jericho Corner..	S. Curtis, H. M. Buxton.

NO.	NAMES.	PLACE.	DELEGATES.
90	Riverside.....	Bradford.....	R. E. Whitcomb, R. H. Marden.
91	Mad River.....	Warren.....	S. Bannister.
92	Fairhaven.....	Fairhaven.....	L. S. Clark, W. W. Atwater, A. N. Adams.
93	United.....	Bakersfield.....	Dr. G. D. Stevens, A. Scribner, A. Field.
94	Cold Spring.....	East Middlebury.....	N. B. Douglass.
95	Excelsior.....	Barnard Center.....	Rev. E. Folsom.
96	Waitsfield.....	Waitsfield.....	Jacob Boyce, Reuben Bates.
97	Lincoln Valley.....	Lincoln.....	Zira Elliott, E. Purrington, H. G. Purrington.
98	Missisquoi.....	Sheldon.....	Hon. R. J. Saxe, Mrs. H. E. Hapgood.
100	Bristol.....	Bristol.....	E. W. Cain, Sarah Cain, C. A. Stevens.
101	Floronia.....	Monkton.....	C. L. Beers, Chas. Van Steenburg.
102	Lewis Creek.....	N. Ferrisburgh.....	M. Ball, G. D. Webb, Mrs. M. Ball.
103	Franklin.....	Franklin.....	Rev. James Robinson, Rev. J. K. Munsill, Judge J. K. Whitney.
104	Grant.....	Factory Point.....	W. A. Adams, T. J. Hoyt.
105	Highgate.....	Highgate.....	C. Wedgeworth, G. Y. Best, L. Skeels.
106	Pawlet.....	Pawlet.....	Rev. O. Gregg, Mrs. O. Gregg, James Rice.
107	Essex.....	Essex.....	A. B. Holbert, J. H. Whitten, Sister L. A. Holbert.
108	Roxbury.....	Roxbury.....	S. N. Miller, A. Ladd.
109	St. James.....	Montgomery.....	D. P. Bragg, C. W. Janes.
110	Poultney.....	Poultney.....	E. Ross, H. Campbell, Mrs. Jane Campbell.
111	Mt. Mansfield.....	Stowe.....	J. J. Boynton, A. R. Straw, Mrs. M. A. Jenney, Miss L. Hammond.
112	Resolute.....	Middlesex.....	Rev. F. M. Miller.
113	Jay Peak.....	Jay.....	A. C. Elliott, B. N. Chase.
115	Eclectic.....	Swanton.....	E. O. Sturtevant, B. Hall, W. W. Munsill.
116	Invincible.....	Waterbury Cen.....	D. Hopkins, Z. Smith.
118	Castleton.....	Castleton.....	B. F. Graves, Rev. J. Phillips, W. H. Northrop.
119	Chelsea.....	Chelsea.....	Rev. J. W. Guernsey, Mrs. J. W. Guernsey.
120	Lake Dunmore.....	Salisbury.....	U. E. Beach, Charles Hulett.
121	Peninsula.....	Alburgh Center.....	W. T. Sowles, H. H. Sowles.
123	Junction.....	Essex Junction.....	D. H. Macomber, A. S. Webb.
123	Leicester.....	Leicester.....	Wm. Powers, Frank Chandler.
125	Good Mission.....	North Fairlee.....	J. R. Curtis, G. W. Beeman.
126	Cold Water.....	East Warren.....	O. G. Fassett.
127	Morning Star.....	Enosburgh Falls.....	Hon. S. Kendall, G. H. Arnold.
128	Evergreen Isle.....	Grand Isle.....	A. Brown, J. T. Macomber, C. W. Macomber.
129	Eryri.....	Fairhaven.....	T. W. Thomas, John H. Williams.
130	Temperance Home.....	Waterbury.....	E. Town, C. O. Graves, Matilda Tenney.
131	Monkton.....	Monkton.....	M. H. Dean, J. C. Carter.
132	Lake Shore.....	Milton Borough.....	W. W. Wright, J. Bean.
133	Mill River.....	E. Wallingford.....	A. H. Jackson, H. M. Anderson.
134	Cold Water.....	Shrewsbury.....	A. W. Philbrick, Rev. J. C. Fifield.
136	Strafford.....	Strafford.....	G. W. Alger.
137	Champlain Valley.....	Addison.....	Jennie L. Morrison.
138	Camel's Hump.....	Huntington.....	A. H. Chessmore, E. T. Judson.
139	W. Bolton.....	Bolton.....	F. W. Pease, S. Chartier.
140	Mountain Glen.....	Ripton.....	H. C. Damon, M. A. Damon.
141	G. W. Grandey.....	Panton.....	Rev. G. H. Parker.
142	Rupert.....	Rupert.....	W. H. Austin.
143	Randolph.....	Randolph Center.....	Col. John B. Mead.
144	Jericho.....	Jericho Center.....	M. B. Miles, C. Tarbox.
145	Cambridge.....	Jeffersonville.....	J. O. French.
146	Spencer.....	Mechanicsville.....	A. C. Randall, C. W. Marsh.
148	Charlotte.....	Charlotte.....	J. Barton, Peter P. Pease.
151	Dorset.....	Dorset.....	W. H. Austin.
152	Brookfield.....	Brookfield.....	J. Edson.
153	Shelburne.....	Shelburne.....	B. F. Van Vliet.

And such of said delegates as were not members, were then initiated into the Grand Lodge Degree.

W. H. Root of Burlington introduced the following:

Moved, That the meetings of this Grand Lodge be as follows:

Morning session from 9:30 A. M. to 12 M.; afternoon session from 2 P. M. to 5 P. M.; evening session from 7 P. M. to such time as the Grand Lodge shall order, and this order shall continue during the present session.

On motion of Bro. W. H. Root, it was

Ordered, That the reports of the officers of the Lodge be made the special order for this afternoon at the opening of the session.

The G. W. C. T. made the following appointments :

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE. *

Bros. W. H. Root of Burlington, O. E. Butterfield of Wilmington
R. C. Benton of St. Albans.

STATE OF THE ORDER.

Bros. T. E. Brownell of Pownal, J. B. Mead of Randolph, Salmon
Green of Richmond.

MILEAGE.

Bros. W. H. S. Whitcomb, W. F. Scott, C. H. Benton.

Bro. G. W. Foggett of Springfield moved that a public meeting be held this evening. W. H. Root moved an amendment to the motion of the brother from Springfield, by substituting Wednesday evening in lieu of this evening; which amendment was agreed to, and the motion as amended was carried.

R. W. G. T., J. H. Orne, was introduced to the Grand Lodge in due form, and took the chair.

W. W. Atwater of Fairhaven introduced the following resolution, which was read and adopted :

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge cordially accepts the proposition for a General Convention to be composed of delegates from all temperance organizations and churches in the State, and to be held at some suitable time and place during the present winter; in which all classes of the friends of temperance may be represented, for the purpose of arousing a more general and livelier interest in the great cause of temperance, and of securing a more effective, social, moral, religious and political action in its favor; and that a committee of three be appointed by the Chair to act in concurrence with such committees as may be present from other organizations in making arrangements for such General Convention.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Lodge opened in due form, at 2 o'clock P. M., R. W. G. T. Orne in the chair.

Bro. W. H. Root introduced the following resolutions, which were adopted :

Resolved, That a special committee of five members be appointed by the Chair to report to this Grand Lodge on Wednesday morning, a suitable place for holding its next session.

Resolved, That a committee consisting of one member from each county be appointed, and that each county by its delegates select for itself a member who shall serve on said committee, the several delegations to present the name of such member to the G. W. S., upon the re-assembling of this Grand Lodge at this session. Such committee, so appointed, shall be declared from the Chair, as the Committee on Nominations, to present the names of suitable persons for election as Grand Officers for the year ensuing. And the report of said committee shall be made the special order for Wednesday A. M. at 10½ o'clock, when the election of officers shall immediately follow.

On motion of Bro. Baker of Danby, it was

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed by the Chair, to announce a programme of exercises for the public meeting to be held on Wednesday evening.

The G. W. C. T. then read his Annual Report, which was, on motion of Bro. Baker, referred to a special committee of three for distribution.

REPORT OF THE G. W. C. TEMPLAR.

Worthy Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge :

The morning of our eighth anniversary has dawned upon us, and finds us again together in council. Allow me as your honored Chief, to salute you with cheerful voice, from the warm depths of a brother's heart, in the language of grateful and affectionate welcome.

The glad and cheering presence of so large an assembly of our own family of brothers and sisters, coming up hither from nearly every hamlet and hill-top, from every village and valley, in our beloved commonwealth, to exchange fraternal greetings, and to counsel and encourage and strengthen each other in our blessed mission of Faith, Hope and Charity, is truly an occasion of congratulation and rejoicing. And while we feel the warm and living springs of brotherly kindness and good will, welling up and overflowing within our hearts as we now meet each other again, face to face, on this recurring anniversary of our beloved Order; and while we all may, perhaps, feel mutually grateful to each other for the measure of labor and of love which we have given to our cause during the year that has passed, let us not omit to send up from humble hearts our warmest tribute of thanksgiving and praise to Him under whose guidance and favor all worthy deeds are done, and by whose wisdom and strength all beneficent enterprises triumph.

I feel truly and gratefully happy in being able to congratulate you on the present healthy and growing condition of our cause in our own beloved and favored State, and to assure you that nothing has occurred in its history during the past year, which betokens a decline or an apostasy, or justifies discouragement; but that on the contrary, there has been, and still is, a sure, steady and gradual growth (though not a rapid one) in nearly every district of our jurisdiction, and that in all the elements of material and substantial strength and prosperity, we are stronger than at the beginning of the official year. The number of our Subordinate Lodges has continued to "increase and multiply," in spite of the slow and sluggish life and final demise of a few; and the zeal and energy of those whose organizations have been kept alive and active, have added liberally to the aggregate of our number throughout the State. The financial management of

our organization has been conducted in a frugal, economical and successful manner by those who have had its official control, and I am well assured that in all respects this department is in a healthy and encouraging condition, and will justify us in making generous arrangements for missionary labor in the year to come.

As the popular sentiment and true moral courage of the people become enlightened, elevated, purified, invigorated and strengthened by the united labors of Good Templars and those of other organizations, the value of our prohibitory law becomes more and more apparent, and its salutary aid is much more frequently and willingly invoked. Indeed, it is well understood that in a neighborhood where Good Templarism is popular the prohibitory law is equally so, and the public sentiment in that community, being on a level with the elevated moral plane of the law itself, encounters no more difficulty in enforcing it, than in enforcing the provisions of any other penal statute. The danger that any serious or formidable attempt will ever be made in Vermont to repeal or in any degree to abate the *stringency* of our prohibitory law has passed away. The soundness and constitutionality of every supposed objectionable feature of it, has been tested and established by our highest judicial tribunal, and the experience of eighteen years since its enactment, during all of which time it has been steadily and surely growing in popular favor and securing judicial sanction, has now fully confirmed its permanence in the public regard and confidence, and demonstrated the wisdom and the beneficence of its provisions. It is true that this law is not everywhere fully and willingly enforced, even when known violations are frequent. Yes, and such *will* be the condition of things, until the people are educated and elevated to a moral atmosphere as pure as the morality of that law itself. When the standard of moral virtue in the community is equal in quality and purity to the standard declared and embodied in that law, moral power and moral courage will not be wanting to secure its enforcement.

It is also true, as has lately been demonstrated, that in some of our more populous towns and villages, having metropolitan tastes and proclivities, the opposition to the law is so strong and vehement that it finds periodical expressions in angry and frenzied spasms of bar-room rebellion. But soon finding, like one of old who got "exceedingly mad," that it is hard to "kick against the pricks," these exuberant but harmless nullifiers subside into quiet allegiance "to the powers that be," and thus an instructive lesson of respectful deference to law is imparted for the benefit of society at the expense of the law breakers. These periodical spasms of hostility are only the death throes of the opposition to this law; and although they may yet be many more times repeated in those places where its forces are the strongest and the best organized, they will be found to recur with gradually diminished strength, until, exhausted by their own violence, they will at last gracefully but reluctantly bow to the will of the people, "accept the situation" to which they are reduced, and politely "kiss the rod" which *cocrced* them, and renew their loyalty to the law they had defied.

That this law is often violated with impunity and its enforcement difficult and impracticable, is no sound reason or argument in favor of its repeal or its modification. The law may be above the moral and social sentiment of the people for whom it is enacted. It may be far above the moral standard and the social habits of the people it is intended to govern. But is the law higher in its social and

moral tone and tendency and purity than it ought to be? Does it prescribe and require too rigid and scrupulous an observance of the moral and social virtues—is it too exacting and persistent in its requirements for the fulfillment of public, private or domestic duties? Is it more elevated and pure than our public and private morals *ought* to be? Is it too stringent and imperative as a rule or standard for public and social virtues and duties? Of course, no one will pretend that it is. “But,” it is said, “many do disregard and disobey it, and others refuse to enforce it.” True, and many also disregard and disobey the “*golden rule*” which requires us to do in all cases as we would be done by—to love our neighbors as ourselves. But we do not propose, for that reason, to modify or relax the stringency of that perfect rule of moral and social duty. Our Christian teachers bid us let that rule remain unchanged in spotless purity, beauty and perfection, and strive with all our own powers and the strength which is promised and vouchsafed to the meek and faithful, to attain to that sublime elevation by conforming to that “higher law” of perfect obedience and perfect love. Unlike our brethren in all other States but one, it is fortunately no part of the mission of Good Templars in Vermont to secure the passage of a prohibitory law. Our worthy and honored predecessors in the great temperance reform constructed and furnished one, wisely contrived and thoroughly tested and proved in all its supposed vulnerable points. And it is our duty to honor their labors and bless their memories by manfully sustaining and vindicating that law, never allowing “jot or tittle” of its most severe “penal” provisions to be, in any degree, either dispensed with or relaxed. It is the peculiar and especial mission of Good Templars in Vermont to educate and elevate the public sentiment of the State to the well-known and recognized standard of public and social virtue and morality, contained and embodied, prescribed and enjoined in our prohibitory law. To adopt a plain and common precept, “we would aim to level *up*, not *down*, in trying to improve society.” We should not bring the law down to a conformity with the habits and tastes and vices of society; but should cultivate, improve, chasten and *elevate* the character, the habits, the minds, and the hearts of the people to a point, where society, in all grades and departments, will not only be fully conformed, but will be transformed, by a most happy and blessed renewal, to a perfect adaptation to every rule and principle and requirement of that much abused prohibitory law: Is it not a high compliment to *any* law that it prescribes a standard of moral and social duty too elevated and pure for a community like Vermont, which claims to be equal in morality, intelligence and virtue to any other Christian people? It should be the aim of the Good Templars of Vermont to make the people of the State worthy of such a law. They should strive by all laudable means in their power, through the agency of our organization, to secure the early realization of this blessed achievement. Let us do it by instructing, leading and guiding the young, by the influence of our precepts and example, in the paths of temperance and virtue; thereby insuring them against the snares and toils of the tempter and the fangs of the destroyer. Let us do it in the spirit of parental obedience to that divine command, “Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.” Let us do it by making our Lodge rooms inviting and attractive—by making them the true seminaries of instruction, improvement and refinement in all that exalts, ennobles, strengthens and purifies the intellect and the heart. Let us do it by instilling into the minds and hearts of our

brothers and sisters, both by precept and example, in our Lodge rooms and out of them, the sweet and sublime significance and beauty and power of our divine watchwords, Faith, Hope and Charity. Let us do it by a life of loyalty and fidelity to our obligations as Good Templars; by our faith in the growth and improvability of man and the final emancipation of society from the slavery of its greatest vice; by our deep anxiety and sorrow for the straying and the suffering; by our hopeful sympathy and solicitude for the erring and the prodigal; by our love for our country and humanity, our faith in the full triumph of Christianity, and our hope of everlasting life.

Our Order owes it to the great cause of reform which it was organized to promote, to encourage and sustain by its good will and patronage, both official and personal, that portion of the public press of the State which is laboring especially in the interest of the temperance enterprise. Such a paper is a brother and co-laborer with us, and we ought not to be reluctant or tardy in tendering our right hand of fellowship and proffering all the aid and encouragement in our power.

The papers of Vermont, both religious and secular, have generally been favorable, not only to the promotion of the cause of temperance, but also to Good Templarism. And we take pleasure in gratefully acknowledging the obligations we owe them for the aid they have so willingly rendered to this great enterprise of reform. But there is one paper in our State, (and it will not be invidious to name it here,) which has especial claims upon our favorable consideration, being devoted, mainly, to the same beneficent mission as ourselves. The *Vermont Temperance Advocate*, a weekly journal published in this village by Messrs. Clarke & Taylor, and edited by our worthy and experienced brothers McAllister and Foggett, and devoted to our cause, commends itself with great force to our generous and active support. It is no disparagement to any other weekly journal in the State to say that the *Advocate* is inferior to none of them in the ability and good taste with which it is conducted, and is their equal in all the elements which make a valuable and interesting family newspaper. And in my judgment, it is our duty to commend it to the earnest good will and liberal patronage of all friends of temperance, and to bespeak in its behalf the hearty and active efforts of all Good Templars and Templar organizations in our jurisdiction, to enlarge its circulation and secure its permanence and prosperity. I earnestly appeal to our brothers and sisters of our beloved Order to insure the long life and the vigorous growth and usefulness of this auxiliary agent in our own missionary field of social reform.

No lecturing agent has been officially employed at the expense of the Grand Lodge during the past year. But our worthy and eloquent Brother Carswell of Canada has visited many parts of the State, and has rendered valuable service to our cause; being compensated, to his satisfaction, by the brethren and sisters in whose vicinity he labored. His efficiency and deserved popularity as a lecturer are well established throughout Vermont and in many parts of the Union as well as in Canada, and his kindling zeal and inspiring and sparkling eloquence are worthy of our highest praise.

Our Grand Worthy Secretary, Rev. H. P. Cushing, in obedience to frequent and urgent calls for lectures, has devoted many weeks of time in visiting lodges and county unions of the Order, and his labors have been spoken of to me in official correspondence with those lodges, and also through the public press, as having been followed with excellent and gratifying results.

Many of the clergymen of our Order, and (I am happy to add) some who are not in our organization, have devoted much time and valuable labor, by public addresses to the people, and by sermons from their own pulpits, "to advance our common cause and honor God." In my own judgment, the services of an efficient and popular lecturer for the current official year should be secured as early as practicable, and the terms and conditions thereof adjusted and determined by this body, or by its authorized official board.

The duties of my own stewardship have been performed but feebly and imperfectly, but ever, and at all times, in good faith, and according to my best judgment, ability and experience, and the limited time which domestic and professional duties and a long period of severe illness would allow. Would to God that those services were worthier and more valuable. Many of you, my brothers and sisters, can bear true witness that the office with which you honored me a year since, was unlooked for and unsought by me. But it was kindly and generously tendered, and its acceptance urged and pressed upon me, with such unaffected earnestness, by nearly all of the members, that in spite of my own wishes and previous determination, frankly and publicly expressed, I was constrained to accept it, although deeply conscious of my unfitness from lack of experience in the workings of the Order, and conscious, also, that in the brief period of time I had then belonged to the Order, I had rendered no such degree of service as entitled me to so high and flattering a compliment. I accepted the position with embarrassing misgivings in regard to my adaptation to its duties, but with a profound and grateful appreciation of your generous partiality and your fraternal exercise of that divine charity which not only "covers a multitude of sins," but "beareth all things, hopeth all things," and forgiveth all. My gratitude and my thanks are due, and I hereby cordially tender them to all my brothers and sisters in the Order, with whom I have held official relation or correspondence, for the uniform kindness and courtesy and the valuable and indispensable aid they have so often rendered me. My domestic and professional duties have prevented me from giving to the service of the Order as much time in visiting and lecturing, as was my desire to do; but my labors in carrying on a correspondence with the officers and members of the various lodges in the State have not been slight or trivial, but have necessarily occupied a small share of nearly every day in the year. This correspondence has consisted of questions and answers in regard to the rules, laws, customs, discipline and work of the Order, and statements and decisions of cases occurring from time to time in the workings of subordinate lodges. The answers and decisions have been very numerous; but being generally similar to others previously made and published by other Grand Lodges, and involving no new principle, I have not deemed it important to lay them before you. In only two cases has any disagreement in the lodges resulted in a formal appeal, and those cases will be laid before the Committee on Appeals, if either party desires it.

From all the members of our beloved Order with whom I have, as a Good Templar, had any official acquaintance or correspondence, I have received nought but brotherly kindness and forbearance. Deeply regretting that it has not been in my power to render more active and useful service to our beloved Order, and praying you to extend the broad and gracious mantle of charity over my errors, imperfections and shortcomings, I now relinquish and yield up to you, the high and delicate trust you confided to my care.

And now, brothers and sisters, as the proper business of this annual session is formally inaugurated, let us devote ourselves to its accomplishment, with pure and earnest fidelity; ever looking upward for Divine guidance and inspiration, and feeling in our hearts and breathing forth from our lips the spirit of that sublime benediction so well expressed in the golden rule of our blessed ritual: "May the angels of Faith, Hope and Charity here plead the story of their mission, until our gleaming banners shall proclaim to a ransomed world the noble triumphs of our cause."

GEO. W. GRANDEY, G. W. C. T.

The G. W. Secretary and Treasurer read his report, and the same was also referred to the Committee of Distribution:

REPORT OF THE G. W. SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

Officers and Members:

We greet you again at our annual gathering, and gratitude should fill our hearts that none of our Grand Lodge officers this year have fallen by death; yet several faithful members of the Order have died. We have many things to encourage and some to dishearten us.

FINANCIAL.	
By cash received from G. W. T.....	\$1,965 01
Received during the year from other sources.....	3,900 88
	<u>\$5,185 39</u>
Disbursements.....	3,761 87
	<u>\$1,423 52</u>
Available funds on hand.....	\$1,423 52
Assets of Grand Lodge:	
Printed matter on hand.....	\$286 00
Plates, trunks, etc.....	78 00
Due from lodges, about.....	100 00
	<u>464 00</u>
Assets above liabilities.....	\$1,887 52

The following Lodges have been organized during the year:

No.	NAMES.	LOCATION.
5.....	Green Mountain.....	Danville.
38.....	Ferrisburgh.....	Ferrisburgh.
44.....	Richmond.....	Richmond.
89.....	Crescent.....	Jericho Corner.
109.....	St. James.....	Montgomery.
126.....	Cold Water.....	East Warren.
129.....	Eryri.....	Fair Haven.
130.....	Temperance Home.....	Waterbury.
131.....	Monkton.....	Monkton.
133.....	Lake Shore.....	Milton Borough.
135.....	Mill River.....	East Wallingford.
134.....	Cold Water.....	Shrewsbury.
135.....	Tweed River.....	Pittsfield.
136.....	Strafford.....	Strafford.
137.....	Champlain Valley.....	Addison.
138.....	Camel's Hump.....	Huntington.
139.....	West Bolton.....	Bolton.
140.....	Mountain Glen.....	Ripton.
141.....	G. W. Grandey.....	Panton.
142.....	Rupert.....	Rupert.
143.....	Randolph.....	Randolph Center.
144.....	Jericho.....	Jericho Center.
145.....	Cambridge.....	Jeffersonville.
146.....	Spencer.....	Mechanicsville.
147.....	Clarendon.....	Clarendon.
148.....	Charlotte.....	Charlotte.
151.....	Dorset.....	Dorset.
152.....	Brookfield.....	Brookfield.
153.....	Shelburne.....	Shelburne.
149.....	Fletcher.....	Fletcher.
150.....	Colfax.....	West Enosburgh.

Twenty-nine new Lodges.

The following Lodges have died during the year :

No.	NAMES.	LOCATION.
15.....	Star of Hope.....	North Craftsbury.
34.....	Chittenden.....	Williston.
43.....	Barre.....	Barre.
71.....	Arlington.....	East Arlington.
82.....	Fairfield.....	Fairfield.
86.....	W. R. Valley.....	Rochester.
89.....	Mt. Nebo.....	Middlebury.
117.....	Kedron.....	South Woodstock.
126.....	Lyndon.....	Lyndon.
58.....	Ascotney.....	Windsor.
7.....	Gilbon.....	Eden Mills.

Eleven Lodges.

Number of Members, 10,038.

Number of Lodges, 143.

As in all probability this may be the last report you will ever receive from me, I beg your indulgence a few moments.

For five eventful and interesting years, as your G. W. C. T. or G. W. S. and T., I have watched with thrilling and anxious interest the cloud which then seemed about the "bigness of a man's hand," but now has risen and spread over a large portion of our beautiful State. Our G. W. S. then reported twenty-one Lodges, and a few hundred members; receipts \$231 35; expenditures \$148 86; with a debt of cash paid for expense by the retiring G. W. C. T. of \$86 99; besides a claim for more than twice that sum for his service. During the following year the per capita tax was raised, and the consequence was at the close of the year we had three Lodges and 119 members *less* than at the beginning of the year.

Since then we have gone forward steadily, increasing in wisdom, funds, members and influence, till we number 10,033 members and 143 Lodges, embracing a large number of reliable and influential citizens of all ages and professions. We have many teachers of common schools, and several standing at the head of our highest schools and academies and normal schools; quite a regiment of Vermont's best surgeons and physicians, many lawyers and judges, several senators, two ex-Governors, one member of Congress, and probably more than a hundred ministers of the gospel.

When I first enlisted under your beautiful banner, the members were mostly younger than now. At present our Lodges comprise a far larger proportion of men and women, including a few venerable ones of eighty years and more, and these things are not the result of chance. If I do not misjudge, Vermont never had a temperance organization representing so much influence, culture, enterprise and deep piety, as the I. O. of G. T. They possess the fearful power of doing great good or lasting evil. May the God of battles aid them to strike for total abstinence, and to rescue every inebriate in Vermont, and not cease till every rumrunner shall change his ruinous work into a purer business; and by the help of truth and God this can be accomplished.

Our membership in nearly all the old Lodges has been reduced the past year, by cutting off the non-paying members; though this act has in many cases strengthened them.

We have not had the soul-stirring presence of R. W. G. T. Orne to visit and lecture before nearly half the Lodges, though never, probably, so many lectures given in the State in one year.

And, alas! "sweet cider" has decimated some Lodges, and prevented many persons from joining; and yet, through the faithfulness of our members, the work has gone on, and, though by the reduction

of our per capita tax one fourth, so that our finance shows some \$800 less than it otherwise would, still our treasury is in a healthy condition.

I would again suggest the importance of having an efficient and popular lecturer, *untrammelled by any other office*, employed by and under the direction of the Grand Lodge, to speak in every town in the State, and specially before every Lodge. Let the world know that the Good Templars and Temple of Honor are doing such a work, and our influence, treasury, numbers and power will be greatly increased, and many now standing aloof will say, "God is *for* them and we will be *with* them."

The temperance paper of Vermont should be earnestly sustained.

Something should be done relative to the number of representatives and mileage. Why cannot one delegate from each *Lodge* represent our cause, as well as one representative from each *town* to the Legislature?

In conclusion, brothers and sisters, our *success* depends on our *work*. Let us gird on the armor and be "marching along." The very fingers that touch this cause shall be tinged with glory. May kind heaven let fall on some worthy brothers the bright mantles of our departed, precious Bros. White and Cobb.

Permit me once more to express to all my associates in office, my warmest gratitude for the courtesy and Christian kindness you at all times have manifested to me; and also to the members who have so cheerfully greeted me, both at the public gatherings and at your quiet homes. And be assured, while recollection shall call up the past, though far away down the stream of time, I shall cherish with sweetest pleasure the memories of the many, many precious hours spent among the Good Templars of Vermont.

A noble band of Christian workers, may your numbers, influence and power increase. Let the beautiful principles of our Order be imbedded into your very hearts. Let no coward be found in your ranks. The ship is well built, and her timbers are sound and strong. She is well launched. And, my brothers and sisters, unfurl her sails, —every man to his post. Trust to your pilot, and may heaven's breezes bring you all, *every one*, safe into the harbor.

Submitted in Faith, Hope and Charity.

H. P. CUSHING, G. W. S. & T.

The G. W. C. T. announced the following committees :

COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

Rev. J. Phillips, F. J. Dalton, Rev. C. A. Stevens.

COMMITTEE TO CONFER WITH OTHER TEMPERANCE ORGANIZATIONS TO ARRANGE FOR A GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. H. P. Cushing, O. E. Butterfield, J. K. Whitney.

On motion of Bro. Grandey, it was voted to reconsider the vote by which a resolution was adopted this afternoon, relative to the appointment of a committee to nominate officers. The question recurring, Shall the resolution be adopted? it was, on motion of R. O.

Sturtevant, amended so as to read as follows : That one member from each county be named in open Lodge, to act on the nominating committee. The resolution thus amended was then adopted.

On motion of A. S. Baker, it was

Ordered, That each county present to the Lodge, at an early hour this evening, the name of a member to act on the nominating committee.

In response to an invitation from Bro. Grandey, R. W. G. T. Orne gave an exposition of the unwritten work of the Order.

On motion of Bro. Atwater, it was voted to remit the charge on the books of the G. W. S. against Chelsea Lodge, No. 119, for Charter, Rituals, &c.

On motion of Bro. Cooper, the chair appointed a committee to solicit funds of the members of the Lodge to aid the family of our late Bro. H. K. Cobb.

The G. W. C. T. announced the following Committee on Appeals; Rev. J. E. Wright, W. H. Solomon, Hon. J. K. Whitney.

The Committee on Distribution made the following report :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge :

Your Committee on Distribution beg leave to report :

So much of the Grand Secretary's report as relates to the finances, be referred to the Committee on Finance; so much of the G. W. Chief's report as relates to appeals, be referred to the Committee on Appeals; so much of both reports as relates to suggestions and recommendations be referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

Adjourned.

EVENING.

Lodge opened in due form at 7 o'clock, R. W. G. T. Orne in the chair.

Journal of the morning and afternoon sessions read and approved.

The Committee on Nominations was named in open Lodge as follows :

Addison County.....	Joseph Carter.
Bennington County.....	W. H. Solomon.
Caledonia County.....	Sister Flint.
Chittenden County.....	W. H. Root.
Franklin County.....	G. D. Stevens.
Grand Isle County.....	Abel Brown.
Lamoille County.....	J. J. Boynton.
Orange County.....	John B. Mead.
Orleans County.....	O. H. Austin.
Rutland County.....	L. W. Brigham.
Washington County.....	J. H. Drew.
Windham County.....	O. E. Butterfield.
Windsor County.....	Elisha Folsom.

On motion of R. O. Sturtevant, the above named committee was authorized to nominate representatives, to represent this Lodge in the R. W. G. Lodge.

On motion of Bro. Whitcomb, the Lodge proceeded to the consideration of the proposed amendment to Article XII. of the Grand Lodge Constitution, as specified in the report of the Finance Committee, submitted at the last annual session of the Grand Lodge.

Which proposal of amendment was, on motion of Bro. Atwater, *Ordered to lie.*

Bro. Atwater presented the following notice :

Notice is hereby given that a motion will be made at the next session of the Grand Lodge, to change the Articles in the Constitution relating to the number of representatives of Subordinate Lodges, and mileage shall be so amended that not more than three representatives shall be allowed from any Lodge; and that no mileage shall be allowed to any representative not in actual attendance at the Grand Lodge.

On motion of Bro. Grandey, T. E. Brownell, the delegate from this Grand Lodge to the last session of the R. W. G. L., was requested to make report to the Lodge.

Bro. Brownell then read the following report, which, on motion of Bro. Phillips, was accepted and ordered to be printed in the published proceedings of this session of the Grand Lodge.

REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO R. W. G. L.

As your representatives to the R. W. Grand Lodge did not make their report to this body one year ago, I beg leave to make a single reference, by way of reminiscence, to the session at Oswego, N. Y., 1869. There was in the city one hotel which had no bar and sold no rum. It was really a temperance house, and was owned by Gerrit Smith, who in leasing it made prohibition a principal condition in the contract. His example in this respect, if rightly studied, might be of profit to those who, backward themselves to make sacrifice, and unwilling to forego for temperance a simple convenience, or to risk a single opportunity to realize a selfish object, indulge their conceit by impeaching the "orthodoxy" of this eminent philanthropist. Perhaps the disaffected hotel proprietors of Rutland, by early advising with him of Oswego, whom the fancied caprice of an individual thus robs of the exalted privilege of selling rum, may discover a "balm" for their lacerated sensibilities.

The R. W. Grand Lodge in session at St. Louis last May, hardly varied its usual routine of business. As every Lodge of Good Templars has been provided with a copy of its printed proceedings, reference need only be made in my report to such portions of its doings as either express a policy or provide a standard.

1st, We may congratulate ourselves upon the efforts of the R. W. Grand Lodge to effect an arrangement, as early as possible, with all

secret temperance organizations, so that admission shall mutually be given to the respective members of lodges, divisions, etc., without initiation. In this way the efforts of the true friends of temperance will be better concerted, while present jealousies, if there be any, will be dissipated by the exercise of so generous a courtesy.

2d, Some time ago the R. W. Grand Lodge offered to all the Grand and Subordinate Lodges a uniform constitution, subject only to the approval of all that had already a constitution of their own. Many States adopted it at once. Although there are few errors in our own excellent constitution, in order to finally reduce our fraternity to a perfect system of parts and relations, so that the highest and lowest shall form a complete union, it may be incumbent upon this Grand Lodge to consider the reasons for such a change.

Two questions still remain to agitate us in every department of our Order, and as the action of the R. W. Grand Lodge in regard to them must depend wholly upon prevailing sentiment in Grand and Subordinate Lodges, I will make brief reference to them in my Report. I mean the "degrees" and "political action."

1st, After all the pains taken to learn the dispositions of the majority of our members in regard to the degrees, the R. W. Grand Lodge has yet arrived at no conclusion in the matter. Many sections of our Order have represented it to be impossible to practice the degree work, or fulfill the qualifications required by law; insisting that all regulations in reference to them be repealed. The R. W. Grand Lodge, ever ready to treat considerably the complaints of its subjects, has in several instances granted dispensations to omit them; but this excessive indulgence has, by no means, removed hostility to the degrees. Against the wishes of many, there is a growing conviction in the entire fraternity that the degrees will sometime be abolished, so far as Subordinate Lodges are concerned, and however decided may be the feelings of this Grand Lodge to the contrary, it seems to me that your representatives should be at liberty to act in the matter, as the best interests of Good Templarism shall, in their judgment, require.

2d, Prohibition being permanently a fundamental principle in our fraternity, how shall we act politically? has from time to time demanded an answer from your representatives. While we cannot from our nature resolve ourselves into a political organization which shall undertake to make laws how Good Templars shall vote against their will, there has, however, because of present demands, arisen a necessity that we make some recommendation, head some sentiment, or provide some guide, which shall define our duties in elections. While political aggrandizement for selfish purposes cannot be an end for which to labor, it is important, nay, it is necessary, that our principles prevail in the government; and because of our connections as individuals with one political party or another, is the injunction that we allow not our "party affection" to control or to modify our views and actions as temperance men. We ought to expect and require political parties, soliciting our suffrages, to acknowledge, to adopt, to publish, and to maintain prohibition, and whoever prefers to sacrifice his probity for party success ought at least to be regarded with suspicion. As a temperance body, then, we are competent to judge and decide what parties ignore and oppose the progress of reform, and what parties assist it; and inasmuch as none shall be found willing to espouse temperance politically, it is right that we recommend to members how they *ought* to vote in view of these circum-

stances. We cannot refuse temperance its political rights, without weakening its influence and authority; and that the R. W. Grand Lodge in its majority report did or did not wisely in approving the "National Prohibition Party" will depend wholly how other parties respect our claims. Party ties simply should have no weight in deciding this, but our fidelity to temperance should impel us to sever any attachment which reason and conscience advise. Our obligation most certainly extends to the vote in our fingers, and our character depends as much upon how we cast *it* as it does upon "total abstinence." Our Order can grant no "indulgences" for party purposes. Its expediency is *always to do right*. Its policy, to avoid *duplicity*, and while it has laws which the Church of God cannot infringe with impunity, it also puts upon the politician responsibilities which his principles as a man, as a patriot, as a statesman, and as a Christian forbid him to disregard.

T. E. BROWNELL.

On motion of Bro. Phillips, it was

Ordered, That the G. W. C. T. appoint a committee of five to revise the constitution so that it shall conform to the uniform constitution, or recommend the adoption of the uniform constitution; said committee to report at the next session of the Grand Lodge.

The G. W. C. T. announced the following committees:

COMMITTEE TO REPORT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR HOLDING THE
NEXT SESSION OF THE GRAND LODGE.

Bros. W. H. Root, C. C. Sargent, T. E. Brownell.

COMMITTEE TO ARRANGE IN REFERENCE TO THE PUBLIC MEETING
TO BE HELD WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Bros. Baker of Danby, Cooper of St. Albans, Whitcomb of Burlington, Cain of Bristol, Foggett of Springfield.

Adjourned

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 9:30 A. M.

Lodge opened in form, R. W. G. T. Orne in the chair.

Journal read and approved.

T. E. Brownell, from Committee on the State of the Order, submitted the report of said committee, which was adopted:

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE ORDER.

Perhaps the grave is the only place where the living principle is allowed a divorce from death, and thus escape utter destruction which the latter seeks. Here life and death are forever joined in everything. Growth and decay are bound together, disease and health have narrow boundaries, and before the structure is completed,

hardly is the cope-stone placed upon its pinnacle before its cemented blocks begin to return to their original elements in the dust and in the air. The dead limb clings to the live trunk, the withered blade of grass returns to the ground to nourish the living root, and pain and disappointment throw their darkest mantle over our richest joys. As physically so morally does this phenomenon of death disclose itself. Virtue is followed by vice, truth is pursued by a lie, fidelity by treachery, and wisdom shadowed by ignorance. And in our blessed Order do we not expect that reform shall meet with sad reverses, and that intemperance will follow to destroy its choicest fruits? We have to lament dead Lodges, as we may rejoice in strong living ones; one number is added, another erased. We honor and respect the moral hero who, with resolution and purpose, subdues in his breast a legion of devils, but we detest and pity him who makes pledges playthings, who from motives of mischief violates his obligations and acts the villain, as the clown plays the fool. Such contradictions, such contrasts, teach how important is vigilance, how perpetual our labor, and admonish us to dig deep our foundations. Like the skillful physician we should remember that mercy seems sometimes to be cruelty, and that the bitterest pills are best to expel disease. We must work *in* the present and *for* the future. Our plans must regard distant results, not immediate triumph altogether, and our hopes postpone expectations rather than to die by disappointment. Our necessities lead us to inquire first, How to economize, and, secondly, The best means of propagating our Order.

1st, Economy may be defined to be a prudent expenditure of money with a view to accomplish certain ends, or to relieve certain wants. Stinginess is often equivalent in effect to the most reckless prodigality. Economy does not mean this. We should not set avarice a sentinel over our treasuries. It has been objected that we pay too much mileage, and for this reason it has been suggested that we reduce the ratio of representation. It may be wise to do this, but in doing it we must not forget the rights of the majority. A Lodge that pays ten dollars dues ought to have more power to dispose of our funds than a Lodge that pays into the treasury only two dollars. Besides we should not make our Grand Lodge too small. Masses have a tendency to encourage its friends and to excite alarm in its foes. Perhaps by giving a representative to every one hundred members and never giving more than five to any single Lodge the desired object will be attained. Our Grand Lodge will be reduced thereby one half, and a proportionate representation be had as well.

2d, We need system in our work in order to act more in concert. This may be reached by dividing our State into districts corresponding to our congressional districts, or if thought best, making them smaller and more numerous, and placing over them a deputy who shall report to the Grand Worthy Secretary quarterly, and who shall be paid by the Lodges in the district for services done by direction of the district convention or union. To hire a State lecturer will cost too much money. A district can hire one or not, as their wants require. Besides, a State lecturer, in order to do efficient services, should know the peculiar circumstances of every community. Otherwise his efforts, however grand, will fail to accomplish expected results. If some of our Grand Lodge officers would visit the Lodges oftener and become acquainted with their hindrances and discouragements, the benefits which a State lecturer is expected to bestow will be realized at much less expense.

3d, The R. W. Grand Lodge and Grand Lodges are guilty of criminal delinquency in not providing for a juvenile temperance society in connection with every Subordinate Lodge. The idea of teaching the children temperance and of impressing their young minds with its truths, by means of its ritual service and frequent meetings, is so practicable that it needs only to be mentioned to be approved. The Grand Lodge should early take action to provide Lodges, requiring the same, with the "Cold Water Temple" ritual.

4th, Ignorance is a fruitful source of error, and it hangs like a draggle upon all reform. Opposed to cunning wrong it may by its own weight keep one from going down hill too fast, but it will always hinder a very rapid rise. Too many in our Order read little, and are narrow-minded sometimes. If young men and women had better habits of reading—if they would devote a portion of their leisure to acquiring useful knowledge instead of giving it wholly to pleasure, or of wasting it upon sentimental trash and miraculous story—we might rejoice in having more intelligent men and women, and fewer knaves and fools. Every Grand Lodge officer, every deputy, every W. C. Templar, and every working member, should labor for reform in this particular, and to awaken in all minds a proper sense of their responsibility to support a good State temperance paper. The merits of the *Vermont Temperance Advocate*, published by Messrs. Clarke and Taylor, and edited by Bros. McAllister and Foggett, are too obvious to need explanation. The want of such a bold, determined, consistent temperance paper is very great. It is necessary to the permanency of our Order, and events not far distant will prove its superior advantages beyond question.

T. E. BROWNELL.
J. B. MEAD.
SALMON GREEN.

The G. W. C. T. announced the following committee:

COMMITTEE ON THE REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION.

J. Phillips, E. Ross, H. P. Cushing, C. C. Sargent, T. E. Brownell.

W. H. Root, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

To the W. Grand Lodge, I. O. of G. T.:

Your committee beg leave to report that they have made a thorough examination of the books of the G. W. Secretary and Treasurer, and find them substantially correct, but have not had time to make a final settlement of the accounts.

The entries they have examined and compared, embrace over three thousand items, and no examination they have been able to give, is, in the opinion of the committee, sufficient for a final settlement.

Should there be a new Treasurer elected, they recommend that he settle with the old Treasurer. In case the present incumbent is continued as Treasurer, they recommend the appointment of an Auditor to make these settlements.

" In regard to the claim of Bro. G. W. Foggett for papers (the *Good Templars' Advocate*) furnished to the Lodges during the past year, (amount \$50 95,) the amount is probably correct, although the authority for furnishing is questionable. They recommend the payment of this account, and think that in future, it is better that the Grand Lodge make a *direct* appropriation of moneys, than to encourage, by allowing, the system of dubious claims and accounts hinging on to each successive Grand Lodge.

In the matter of the claim of Bro. F. H. Bascom, your committee have this to say: That the practice of allowing, for the service of instituting Subordinate Lodges, and for traveling expenses of Lodge Deputies, and District Deputies, has never obtained in this Grand Lodge, and its inauguration at the present time is not deemed advisable. The Subordinate Lodges have heretofore borne this expense, and a Lodge must indeed be weak that cannot afford to pay the small expense incident to its institution. So weak, in fact, that the judgment of a Deputy might well be called in question that would consent to institute a thing as a Lodge, *bankrupt* in energy and means at the start, and call it a "Lodge!" And in the present claim, your committee have assurance and knowledge that some of the Lodges against whom charges are made for this Grand Lodge to pay, have already paid what, to your committee, seems a sufficient sum for the service rendered.

Your committee, after hearing expressions from many of our most trusted members, recommend the severance of the offices of the G. W. Secretary and G. W. Treasurer; and upon several grounds:

1st, That the business of this Grand Lodge has now reached a point of such magnitude that proper attention to the duties of G. W. Secretary requires the whole attention of the incumbent of that office.

2d, The custody of so large amounts as now flow into and out of our Grand Lodge Treasury, that it is believed that an income may be realized in the handling of the funds by a Treasurer solely entrusted with the management thereof.

3d, The experience of all societies has proved that it is unwise to impose too many responsibilities upon a single individual in the matter of complete administration. And while your committee can vouch for the *perfect* integrity of our present Grand Secretary and Treasurer, they are reminded by his failing health that this Grand Lodge may soon be obliged to relieve him entirely; and then at least, probably, would be demonstrated the necessity of surrounding its Treasury with proper safeguards of "checks" and "balances."

Your committee recommend that the salary of the G. W. Secretary be continued at the sum of six hundred dollars for the ensuing year and his expenses. That if relieved of the care and custody of its funds, he will be enabled to discharge the duties of his office as G. W. Secretary without an Assistant, and they further recommend that the salary of three hundred dollars be continued to the Grand Worthy Chief Templar for the ensuing year, and his necessary expenses.

That to our Grand Worthy Counselor, in consideration that he visit Subordinate Lodges so far as he may be able to, to lecture for or address them, he be allowed the sum of two hundred dollars as a salary.

That lastly, the sum of one hundred dollars be allowed to the G. W. Treasurer as a salary. And your committee believe that with a little

effort, he may obtain such a sum as interest, on the moneys of this Grand Lodge in his hands, as will be sufficient to pay his salary, and the contingent expenses of his office.

In regard to "mileage," your committee recommend that the sum of two cents per mile as now established be maintained, but that the representation to the Grand Lodge be *reduced* as follows:

Lodges not exceeding 100 members, to be entitled to one delegate. Over 100 members and not exceeding 200 members, to *two* delegates; and all Lodges having over 200 members, to *three* delegates; and, that no Subordinate Lodge shall be entitled to more than *three* delegates in any case; and that mileage shall be due and payable only to the delegate or delegates in actual attendance upon this Grand Lodge at the future sessions thereof. The adoption of this proposition will render the Grand Lodge a more compact and efficient body for business, will reduce very materially the great expense now incident to its sessions, and will leave a much larger fund in the Grand Treasury, to be drawn upon for lectures, printing, and printed matter and missionary work; and no increase of the "quarterly dues" from Subordinate Lodges will be a necessity, in order to efficiently prosecute the great principles and grand objects of our Order throughout the State.

The recommendation of the G. W. C. T. that an "efficient lecturer be employed," can then be realized, and this recommendation of the G. W. C. T., presupposes that Subordinate Lodges will contribute to this end in degree as they may be benefited, or are able to, from the services of such Grand Lecturer.

Your committee herewith submit an estimate of the probable receipts and expenditures for the ensuing year:

EXPENDITURES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

From quarterly dues—say 11,000 members at 24 cents.....	\$2,640 00
From sale of G. L. supplies, etc.....	300 00
From Subordinate Lodges and in course of transmission.....	100 00
Balance on hand at this date.....	1,423 52
Total receipts.....	\$4,463 52

EXPENDITURES:

For mileage of Grand Lodge for the present session, say.....	\$1,000 00
For printing, stationery, supplies, etc., say.....	400 00
For salaries G. L. officers.....	1,200 00
For contingent and unforeseen.....	150 00
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	\$2,750 00
	\$1,713 52

Leaving a balance in the treasury, as estimated, of \$1,713 52, and your committee see no reason to doubt the substantial accuracy of these estimates, as they were last year sustained in their estimates made in the same manner, by the *actual* receipts of that year, into the small sum of \$113 02.

And thus a sum is secured which seems already large enough to pay for the services of a Grand Lecturer the present year, and also all the probable expenses of the Grand Lodge beside.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

WM. H. ROOT,
O. E. BUTTERFIELD, } *Finance Com.*
R. C. BENTON,

The committee appointed to report programme for Wednesday evening's exercises submitted the following report, which was adopted:

Grand Worthy Templar:

Your committee to whom was submitted the matter of programme for this (Wednesday) evening, at Academy Hall, beg leave to report the following, viz: Speakers for the occasion, R. W. G. T. of North America, J. H. Orne of Marblehead, Mass.; G. W. C. T. of Vermont, G. W. Grandey of Vergennes; R. W. G. L. Representative, T. E. Brownell of Pownal; G. W. Counselor, C. C. Sargent of Corinth; G. W. S. Rev. H. P. Cushing of East Burke; O. E. Butterfield of Wilmington; Rev. L. W. Brigham of Rutland; M. H. Dean of Monkton; W. H. Root of Burlington; Peter E. Pease of Charlotte; J. E. Wright of Montpelier. Doors open at 6½ o'clock; exercises to commence at 7½ o'clock P.M.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The Committee on Nominations, by their Secretary, Rev. L. W. Brigham, presented the following report, which report and recommendations were adopted:

The Nominating Committee having performed the duty assigned them, ask leave to submit the following report: They would present to this Grand Lodge the following list of candidates to be balloted for, and if elected to become the officers of this Grand Lodge for the ensuing year: G. W. C. T., Hon. Geo. W. Grandey; G. W. Counselor, T. E. Brownell; G. W. V. T., Mrs. M. A. Jenney; G. W. S., Rev. H. P. Cushing; G. W. T., C. C. Sargent.

The committee also present the following candidates to be elected as representatives to the R. W. G. Lodge of North America: N. H. Root, Rev. W. W. Atwater, O. E. Butterfield. Alternates, J. J. Boynton, R. O. Sturtevant, Rev. J. E. Wright.

The committee, in view of the increasing financial business of this Lodge, would recommend the election of an Auditor, and suggest the name of J. B. Mead as a suitable person to fill that office.

Respectfully submitted.

The Lodge then proceeded to the election of officers for the Grand Lodge for the year ensuing.

On motion of Bro. Foggett, the G. W. M. was instructed to cast the ballot of the Lodge for Geo. W. Grandey for G. W. C. T., and he was declared elected.

On motion of Bro. Baker, the G. W. M. was instructed to cast the ballot of the Lodge for T. E. Brownell for G. W. Counselor, and he was declared elected.

On motion of Bro. Baker, the G. W. M. was instructed to cast the vote of the Lodge for Mrs. M. A. Jenney for G. W. V. T., and she was declared elected.

On motion of Bro. Marden, the G. W. M. was instructed to cast the ballot of the Lodge for Rev. H. P. Cushing for G. W. S., and he was declared elected.

On motion, the G. W. M. was instructed to cast the ballot of the Lodge for C. C. Sargent for G. W. T., and he was declared elected.

On motion of Bro. Brigham, the G. W. M. was instructed to cast the vote of the Lodge for W. H. Root, W. W. Atwater, and O. E. Butterfield for delegates to the R. W. G. L., and they were declared duly elected.

On motion, the following named persons were elected alternates, to wit: J. J. Boynton, R. O. Sturtevant, and J. E. Wright.

W. H. Root was then unanimously elected Auditor for the year ensuing.

The Committee on Finance presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the expenses of the Grand Lodge officers at this session of the Grand Lodge be paid from the funds of the Grand Lodge;

Which resolution was adopted.

The committee appointed to recommend a suitable place in which to hold the next session of the Grand Lodge, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee appointed to recommend a suitable place in which to hold the next session of the Grand Lodge have had the same under consideration and do recommend the city of Burlington. But two places were suggested—Bennington and Burlington.

On motion of Bro. Phillips, it was

Ordered, That three o'clock this afternoon be specially assigned as the hour for the installation of officers.

Bro. R. C. Benton introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a special committee consisting of the G. W. T., G. W. S., Auditor and Bro. Benton of St. Albans, be hereby appointed and instructed to recommend to this Grand Lodge, at its next session, a system of keeping the accounts of the Lodge, and of the division of the duties of Secretary and Treasurer.

On motion, it was

Voted, That the G. W. S. pay his receipts monthly to the G. W. T.

The following resolution was introduced by Bro. Marden of Bradford, and adopted:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge will entertain no appeal from the decision of a Subordinate Lodge, unless such appeal shall be taken within four weeks from the rendering of such decision.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Lodge opened in due form, at 2 o'clock P.M., R. W. G. T. Orne in the chair.

Journal of the morning session read and approved.

The Committee on Appeals made report as follows, and the same was adopted:

To the Grand Lodge of Vermont now in session:

Your Committee on Appeals respectfully report that two appealed cases, which have been decided during the past year by the G. W. C. T., have been laid before us by him for our examination. None of the parties appeared before us to be heard in the matter, and on inspection of the papers we find no reason to disagree with the decisions made thereon by the G. W. C. T.

Respectfully submitted.

The committee appointed to confer with committees of other temperance organizations in reference to a call for a General Temperance Convention, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

The committee to confer with committees of other organizations in arranging for a General Temperance Convention, report that the committees present have agreed, if this Lodge shall approve of the plan, to issue a call for such convention to be held at Burlington on the first Wednesday in February next.

The G. W. C. T. announced the following appointed officers:

G. W. Chaplain, Rev. ELISHA FOLSOM.

G. W. Marshal, E. G. MASON.

G. W. D. M., Mrs. MARY STURTEVANT.

G. W. A. S., Miss ELLA B. CUSHING.

G. W. Messenger, DWIGHT RIDDLE.

G. W. I. G., Mrs. M. A. HALL.

G. W. O. G., JOHN W. CARPENTER.

The following resolution was introduced by W. H. Root, and adopted:

Resolved, That a special committee of five be appointed by the Chair to prepare and forward to the G. W. S., before the next meeting of this Grand Lodge, a table of distances upon which the mileage of members may be computed, who may be in attendance at such session.

Bros. J. Phillips, O. E. Butterfield and R. C. Benton were offered and approved as sureties for the G. W. S. in the sum of two thousand dollars.

Bros. J. B. Mead, Robert Orr, and J. R. Cleaveland were offered and approved as sureties for the G. W. T. in the sum of two thousand dollars.

The hour for installation having arrived, the following officers were installed by R. W. G. T., J. H. Orne:

Hon. GEORGE W. GRANDEY of Vergennes, G. W. C. T.

T. E. BROWNELL of Pownal, G. W. C.

Mrs. M. A. JENNEY of Stowe, G. W. V. T.

Rev. H. P. CUSHING of East Burke, G. W. S.

C. C. SARGENT of Corinth, G. W. T.

Rev. ELISHA FOLSOM of Barnard, G. W. Chaplain.

E. G. MASON of Rutland, G. W. Marshal.

Mrs. MARY E. STURTEVANT of Swanton, G. W. D. M.

Miss ELLA B. CUSHING of East Burke, G. W. A. S.

DWIGHT RIDDLE of Bennington, G. W. Messenger.

Mrs. M. A. HALL of Brownington, G. W. I. G.

JOHN W. CARPENTER of Johnson, G. W. O. G.

On motion of Bro. Root,

Voted, That the G. W. S. be instructed to print eight hundred copies of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, and send three copies thereof to each Subordinate Lodge in the State.

The following resolutions were introduced and adopted:

By Bro. Marden of Bradford,

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Grand Lodge our present prohibitory law ought to be so amended as to make liquor selling a crime instead of an offense, and upon conviction, have the penalty somewhere in proportion to the crime.

By Bro. Benton of St. Albans,

Resolved, That we hereby express our appreciation of the *Vermont Temperance Advocate* as a faithful laborer in the temperance cause, and adopt it as the official organ in this Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That we pledge it our hearty support, both collectively and individually, in filling its columns and increasing its circulation.

By Bro. Wright of Montpelier,

Resolved, That the G. W. C. T. and G. W. Counselor, advising together, be instructed to secure the services of a Lecturer, to address the various communities of this State under the auspices of this Grand Lodge during the current year, at an expense to this Grand Lodge not exceeding \$800.00.

By Bro. Mead of Randolph,

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to R. W. G. C. T., J. H. Orne, for his cheerful presence at this session, and for his very able and important services in presiding over our deliberations; and that he be requested to draw his order upon the Treasurer for such a sum as will cover his expenses since leaving his home.

The G. W. C. T. announced as Committee on Mileage, Bros. O. E. Butterfield, W. H. Solomon, J. B. Mead, L. C. Hayes and R. H. Marden.

The following resolutions were then introduced and adopted :

By Bro. Marden of Bradford,

Resolved, That no action of this Grand Lodge shall be so construed as to commit the body against the prohibitory liquor law of the State, or against the provision for a State police, and that while we are *in favor of such provisions*, we do not think it expedient to bind any member of this Grand Lodge to any special political action.

Adopted unanimously,

By Bro. Parker of Richford,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to the members of St. Albans Lodge, No. 32, for the cordial hospitalities which they have extended to us ; as also to the officers of the several railroads in this State, for courtesies extended to members of the Order of Good Templars in attending the present session of this Grand Lodge.

Adjourned in due form.

H. P. CUSHING, G. W. S.



SUB-LODGES,

EMBRACING NUMBER, NAME, LOCATION, NAME OF DEPUTY, AND
NIGHT OF MEETING.

NO.	NAMES.	PLACE.	DEPUTY.	EVENING.
1	Rescue.....	Tunbridge.....	Rev. O. S. Morris.....	Tuesday.
2	Mt. Norris.....	Lowell.....	William B. Dodge.....	Wednesday.
3	Lafayette.....	Marshfield.....	J. Boyles.....	Wednesday.
4	Piccola.....	Coventry.....	J. Stevens.....	Wednesday.
5	Green Mountain.....	Danville.....	E. Perry.....	Tuesday.
6	Pleasant Valley.....	Plymouth.....	.....	Saturday.
8	Rising Sun.....	St. Albans Bay.....	J. H. Brooks.....	Saturday.
9	Frontier.....	Newport Center.....	T. J. Shaw.....	Friday.
10	Lampson.....	New Haven Mills.....	S. F. Thompson.....	Tuesday.
11	Central.....	Irasburgh.....	C. P. Vail.....	Friday.
12	N. Bennington.....	N. Bennington.....	C. D. Phillips.....	Saturday.
13	Lincoln.....	Winoski Falls.....	B. S. Jones.....	Monday.
14	Pliny White.....	Weybridge.....	J. A. Child.....	Friday.
16	Loyal.....	Middletown.....	.....	Tuesday.
17	Harmony.....	St. Johnsbury.....	F. J. Dalton.....	Tuesday.
18	Aqua.....	Westfield.....	J. D. McKenzie.....	Saturday.
19	Isle La Motte.....	Isle La Motte.....	B. F. Pike.....	Tuesday.
20	Champlain.....	Burlington.....	Robert McCollum.....	Tuesday.
21	Crystal Fount.....	Brownington.....	L. Grow.....	Thursday.
22	Star of the East.....	Lunenburg.....	.....	Tuesday.
23	Cabot.....	Cabot.....	H. Hill.....	Friday.
24	Green Mountain.....	Morrisville.....	.....	Thursday.
25	Rising Star.....	Glover.....	Rev. S. K. B. Perkins.....	Tuesday.
26	Waterman.....	Georgia.....	S. R. Barnes.....	Wednesday.
27	North Star.....	North Troy.....	C. Bailey.....	Friday.
28	Willoughby Lake.....	Westmore.....	J. C. Orne.....	Wednesday.
29	Golden Barge.....	Barton Landing.....	E. S. Locke.....	Wednesday.
30	Lamolle.....	Johnson.....	H. H. Warner.....	Saturday.
31	Laplotte.....	Hinesburgh.....	C. A. Higby.....	Tuesday.
32	St. Albans.....	St. Albans.....	C. H. Baker.....	Friday.
33	W. Pawlet.....	W. Pawlet.....	F. Johnson.....	Tuesday.
35	Otter Creek.....	Vergennes.....	Col. J. H. Lucia.....	Friday.
36	Pownal.....	North Pownal.....	G. Brimmer.....	Saturday.
37	Lone Star.....	Bethel.....	Ellen E. Edson.....	Tuesday.
38	Ferrisburgh.....	Ferrisburgh.....	F. M. Gage.....	Tuesday.
39	Eureka.....	Corinth.....	J. Brown.....	Thursday.
40	Alcyon.....	East Fairfield.....	L. Newton.....	Wednesday.
41	Social.....	Springfield.....	G. W. Foggett.....	Wednesday.
42	Valley.....	South Troy.....	O. Miller.....	Saturday.
44	Richmond.....	Richmond.....	S. Green.....	Wednesday.
45	Pearl.....	Cambridge.....	J. M. Safford.....	Saturday.
46	Lamolle Central.....	Hydepark.....	L. Dutton.....	Friday.
48	Ompompanoosuc.....	Vershire.....	A. E. Kinney.....	Friday.
49	Waterville.....	Waterville.....	G. W. Gilmore.....	Friday.
49	Marble.....	West Rutland.....	H. Freeman.....	Saturday.
50	Lucid Lake.....	North Hero.....	J. M. Tatro.....	Tuesday.
51	Elreneon.....	Jacksonville.....	J. Hatch.....	Friday.
52	Crystal Spring.....	Colchester.....	E. S. Morton.....	Wednesday.
53	Evening Star.....	Chester.....	C. Tarbell.....	Friday.
54	Washington.....	Montpelier.....	I. M. Wright.....	Wednesday.
55	Union.....	East Barnard.....	J. Ellis.....	Saturday.
56	South Shaftsbury.....	South Shaftsbury.....	C. Bates.....	Saturday.
57	Reform.....	Ludlow.....	N. M. Pierce.....	Saturday.
59	Good Samaritan.....	Milton.....	H. H. Fuller.....	Thursday.
60	Mt. Vernon.....	Vernon.....	L. Brown.....	Saturday.
61	Mt. Carmel.....	Moretown.....	A. J. Tubbs.....	Wednesday.
62	Connecticut River.....	Hartland.....	G. M. Smith.....	Friday.
63	Echo.....	East Charleston.....	R. P. Stevens.....	Saturday.
64	Blazing Star.....	West Derby.....	M. E. Lindsay.....	Saturday.

SUB-LODGES—Continued.

NO.	NAMES.	PLACE.	DEPUTY.	EVENING.
65	Wells.....	Wells.....	F. E. Barden.....	Saturday.
66	Golden Rule.....	Benson.....	S. H. Kellogg.....	Saturday.
67	Asbury.....	Pownal Center.....	E. B. Mason.....	Saturday.
68	Cushing.....	Danby.....	A. S. Baker.....	Tuesday.
69	Diamond.....	Westford.....	J. H. Macomber.....	Saturday.
72	Bomoseen.....	Hydeville.....	J. T. Kidder.....	Friday.
73	Mallett's Bay.....	Colchester Pt.....	H. Porter.....	Friday.
74	Crystal Gem.....	Brandon.....	N. S. Open.....	Friday.
75	Beacon Light.....	Fairfax.....	A. B. Beeman.....	Saturday.
76	Clyde.....	Derby Center.....	H. Elder.....	Friday.
77	Mystic.....	Pownal.....	William Hindly.....	Tuesday.
78	Rutland.....	Rutland.....	N. Weeks.....	Friday.
79	Cascadnac.....	Gaysville.....	E. J. Tenney.....	Monday.
80	Plainfield.....	Plainfield.....	E. B. Goodrich.....	Tuesday.
81	Richford.....	Richford.....	L. B. Parker, Jr.....	Friday.
82	Fairfield.....	Fairfield.....	H. E. Bentley.....	Wednesday.
83	Waverley.....	Wilmington.....	C. C. Clark.....	Saturday.
84	Shady Hill.....	North Hydepark.....	Ira Gray.....	Wednesday.
85	Vermont.....	West Topsham.....	Dr. O. L. Watson.....	Thursday.
87	Dennington.....	Bennington.....	G. M. Marsh.....	Friday.
88	Quechee Valley.....	Sherburne.....	A. G. Taylor.....	Saturday.
89	Crescent.....	Jericho Corner.....	S. Curtis.....	Wednesday.
90	Riverside.....	Bradford.....	D. W. Cobb.....	Tuesday.
91	Mad River.....	Warren.....	S. Bannister.....	Friday.
92	Fairhaven.....	Fairhaven.....	L. S. Clark.....	Tuesday.
93	United.....	Bakersfield.....	M. Hull.....	Friday.
94	Cold Spring.....	East Middlebury.....	H. I. Spoor.....	Tuesday.
95	Excelsior.....	Barnard Center.....	H. J. Luce.....	Tuesday.
96	Waitsfield.....	Waitsfield.....	W. H. Walbridge.....	Friday.
97	Lincoln Valley.....	Lincoln.....	Z. Elliott.....	Tuesday.
98	Stamford.....	Stamford.....	W. S. Babbett.....	Friday.
99	Missisquoi.....	Sheldon.....	C. P. Hogan.....	Monday.
100	Bristol.....	Bristol.....	H. C. Munsill.....	Wednesday.
101	Florisia.....	Monkton.....	C. Van Steenberg.....	Tuesday.
102	Lewis Creek.....	N. Ferrisburgh.....	H. S. Tuttle.....	Saturday.
103	Franklin.....	Franklin.....	D. E. Shattuck.....	Friday.
104	Grant.....	Factory Point.....	T. J. Hoyt.....	Wednesday.
105	Highgate.....	Highgate.....	C. Wedgeworth.....	Friday.
106	Pawlet.....	Pawlet.....	M. Colvin.....	Friday.
107	Essex.....	Essex.....	J. H. Whitten.....	Friday.
108	Roxbury.....	Roxbury.....	S. N. Miller.....	Tuesday.
109	St. James.....	Montgomery.....	G. L. Clapp.....	Monday.
110	Poultney.....	Poultney.....	E. Ross.....	Friday.
111	Mt. Mansfield.....	Stowe.....	A. E. Straw.....	Saturday.
112	Resolute.....	Middlesex.....	F. M. McElroy.....	Saturday.
113	Jay Peak.....	Jay.....	J. E. Chase.....	Wednesday.
114	Forrest.....	Groton.....	T. B. Hall.....	Friday.
115	Eclectic.....	Swanton.....	E. Kimpton.....	Friday.
116	Invincible.....	Waterbury Cen.....	C. B. Clark.....	Tuesday.
118	Castleton.....	Castleton.....	Rev. J. Phillips.....	Monday.
119	Chelsea.....	Chelsea.....	L. G. Hinckley.....	Monday.
120	Lake Dunmore.....	Salisbury.....	S. K. Kent.....	Thursday.
121	Peninsula.....	Alburgh Center.....	H. Marvin.....	Thursday.
122	Junction.....	Essex Junction.....	H. P. Bullard.....	Thursday.
123	Leicester.....	Leicester.....	J. A. Hitchcock.....	Thursday.
124	Guiding Star.....	East Randolph.....	J. Hanks.....	Thursday.
125	Good Mission.....	North Fairfax.....	M. Howard.....	Saturday.
126	Cold Water.....	East Warren.....	O. G. Fassett.....	Thursday.
127	Morning Star.....	Enosburgh Falls.....	B. Andrus.....	Saturday.
128	Evergreen Isle.....	Grand Isle.....	H. W. Ladd.....	Friday.
129	Eryrl.....	Fairhaven.....	J. H. Williams.....	Friday.
130	Peperance Home.....	Waterbury.....	E. Town.....	Tuesday.
131	Monkton.....	Monkton.....	M. O. French.....	Thursday.
132	Lake Shore.....	Milton Borough.....	G. C. Rice.....	.....
133	Mill River.....	E. Wallingford.....	G. S. Thompson.....	.....
134	Cold Water.....	Shrewsbury.....	A. W. Philbrick.....	.....
135	Tweed River.....	Pittsfield.....	T. C. Hubbard.....	.....
136	Strafford.....	Strafford.....	G. W. Alger.....	Wednesday.
137	Champlain Valley.....	Addison.....	O. R. Gage.....	Wednesday.
138	Camel's Hump.....	Huntington.....	E. T. Judson.....	Wednesday.
139	W. Bolton.....	Bolton.....	F. W. Pease.....	Saturday.
140	Mountain Glen.....	Ripton.....	H. C. Damon.....	Tuesday.
141	G. W. Grandey.....	Panton.....	I. F. Hatch.....	Wednesday.
142	Rupert.....	Rupert.....	W. H. Austin.....	Wednesday.

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NO.	NAMES.	PLACE.	DEPUTY.	EVENING.
143	Randolph.....	Randolph Center	Col. J. B. Mead.....	Tuesday.
144	Jericho.....	Jericho Center..	F. F. Hovey.....	Thursday.
145	Cambridge.....	Jeffersonville...	J. O. French.....	Wednesday.
146	Spencer.....	Mechanicsville...	S. H. Chaffee.....	Saturday.
147	Clarendon.....	Clarendon.....	E. M. Sherman.....	Saturday.
148	Charlotte.....	Charlotte.....	W. H. H. Varney.....	Tuesday.
149	.....	Fletcher.....	.....	.....
150	.....	West Enosburgh	.....	.....
151	Dorset.....	Dorset.....	G. B. Harwood.....	Thursday.
152	Brookfield.....	Brookfield.....	J. Edson.....	Friday.
153	Shelburne.....	Shelburne.....	B. F. Van Vliet.....	.....

OFFICERS.

Grand Lodge of Vermont.

- G. W. C. T.**—HON. GEORGE W. GRANDEY, Vergennes.
G. W. C.—T. E. BROWNELL, Pownal.
G. W. V. T.—MRS. M. A. JENNEY, Stowe.
G. W. S.—REV. H. P. CUSHING, East Burke.
G. W. T.—C. C. SARGENT, Corinth.
G. W. Chaplain.—REV. E. FOLSOM, Barnard.
G. W. M.—E. G. MAZON, Rutland.
G. W. D. M.—MRS. MARY E. STURTEVANT, Swanton.
G. W. A. S.—Miss ELLA B. CUSHING, East Burke.
G. W. Messenger.—DWIGHT RIDDLE, Bennington.
G. W. I. C.—MRS. M. A. HALL, Brownington.
G. W. O. C.—JOHN W. CARPENTER, Johnson.

DELEGATES TO R. W. G. LODGE.

- W. H. ROOT, REV. W. W. ATWATER, O. E. BUTTERFIELD, *Delegates*.
J. J. BOYNTON, R. O. STURTEVANT, REV. J. E. WRIGHT, *Alternates*.

Next session will be held at Burlington, second Tuesday in January, 1872.

Right Worthy Grand Lodge.

- R. W. C. T.**—J. H. ORNE, Marblehead, Mass.
R. W. C. C.—W. S. WILLIAMS, Napanee, Ontario.
R. W. C. V. T.—LILLIAN ROBINSON, LaCrosse, Wis.
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